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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir or Madam:

In regard to the above identified application:

- 1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:
 - a. Status Inquiry
 - b. Return Receipt Postcard.
- 2. With respect to additional fees,

It is believed no fee is due at this time.

- 3. GENERAL AUTHORIZATION: Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No.13-2490. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- 4. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described in paragraph 1 hereinabove, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on Wednesday, October 27, 2004.

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Sir:

The last communication received from the Office in the above-mentioned case was a communication dated October 15, 2003. Applicant's respectfully request the status of the application.

Dated: October 27, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

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